

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1345
ANSWERED ON:15.07.2004
PROGRESS OF BANSPANI-DAITARI LINE IN ORISSA
Nayak Shri Ananta

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the progress made so far laying of Banspani-Daitari rail line in Orissa and the target date fixed for the completion of the entire project;
- (b) the allocation of funds made for the project so far; and
- (c) the steps taken to expedite the work?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): Banspani-Joruli (11 Kms) section has been completed and commissioned. Joruli-Keonjhar (48 Kms) section has also been completed. On Keonjhar-Tomka (98 Kms) section, earthwork, bridgeworks and other ancillary works are in progress. The project is likely to be completed during 2005-06, depending upon availability of resources.

(b): The total expenditure incurred on the project till 31.03.2004 is Rs. 446.52 crore. An outlay of Rs. 83 crore has been proposed for the project in the Budget 2004-05.

(c): To expedite the work, funds have been tied up through Asian Development Bank (ADB) and a part of the work has been entrusted to Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd (RVNL) for execution.